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LONDON REP. RATIONS PARLEY

FRENCH NEWSPAPER VIEWS

PARIS, August 9.

The newspapers have received the reports of the threatened rupture of the London conference with complete equanimity. It is pointed out that the immediate effect of rupture will be that France will remain free of action but the opinion is expressed that a rupture is improbable. Several papers accuse Mr. Lloyd George of desiring to spare Germany.

BERLIN COMMENTS.

Berlin, August 10.

The keenest interest is being taken in the London conference but hitherto there has been little comment. The *Vossische Zeitung* says that hitherto every conference of the entente which has endeavored to solve economic questions politically has ended in a compromise, the result accentuating the economic disorganization of Central Europe. The *Freiheit* opines that a rupture in the entente is very improbable at present.

CABINET MINISTERS BUSY.

LONDON, August 10.

This afternoon's meeting of the Cabinet was attended by practically all the ministers. It was unanimously decided to favour the policy of the four ministers constituting the British delegation, likewise to support them regarding the report of the committee of experts. Mr. Lloyd George interviewed the Belgian and Italian foreign ministers this morning, and had audience with his Majesty in the evening. The British members are at present remaining in London.

POINCARÉ GIVEN A FREE HAND.

PARIS, August 10.

After resolutely upholding the principle of no moratorium without productive guarantees the Cabinet has decided to give M. Poincaré complete freedom of action as regards specific points.

BALLOON RACE.

WINNER WENT SO FAR WAS THOUGHT LOST.

GENEVA, August 10.

The balloon Belgian, piloted by the Belgian Ernest Demoyter, competing in the Gordon-Bennett race, which was previously believed to be lost, has now landed in a Rumanian village after crossing the Carpathians. It is stated that Demoyter travelled the greatest distance, namely 1300 kilometres, and consequently is the winner. All nineteen competitors have landed.

PORTUGAL'S GENERAL STRIKE

LISBON MORE NORMAL.

LONDON, August 9.

Reuter learns in a message from Lisbon dated August 9, that the city continues in military charge but conditions are becoming normal. Work is being resumed and the supply of bread is sufficient. The stevedores' strike continues but naval men are assisting in loading off ships. No newspapers are appearing. There were a number of bomb outrages on August 8.

GERMANS IN FRANCE.

EXPULSION NOTICES SERVED.

LONDON, August 11.

Manifestly as one of the coercive measures foreshadowed in semi official announcement from Paris on August 5, Reuter's correspondent at Strasbourg says it is officially stated that expulsion notices will be served on five hundred German undesirable to-morrow. The expulsion is to be completed by Saturday at mid-night.

COAL MINERS ON STRIKE.

NO INTERNATIONAL SYMPATHY.

BERLIN, August 10.

The international congress of miners at Frankfurt rejected a proposal to intervene in the American coalminer's strike by limiting shipments of coal.

"RALEIGH'S" CREW LAND SAFELY.

St. John's (Newfoundland) August 10.

The entire crew of H.M.S. "Raleigh" has landed on an uninhabited part of the coast and is being taken to Halifax.

NOT CLIFFE NO WORSE.

LONDON, August 10.

Lord Northcliffe's condition remains unchanged but is no worse, to day.

FIGHTING IN IRELAND.

BUILDINGS IN FLAMES.

LONDON, August 10.

The Irregulars are apparently preparing to evacuate an important stronghold at Cork. Government House and other buildings are in flames, according to passengers who have arrived at Liverpool. The Republicans are keeping up machine-gun and rifle fire from the hills on both sides of the river. It is reported that the bridges connecting with the outlying towns have been blown up. Public buildings at Queenstown are reported to have been burnt down.

WASHINGTON TREATY.

NOW COMPLETELY RATIFIED.

LONDON, August 10.

The British Empire's ratification of the Washington treaty has been completed. It has been ratified by the Dominions parliaments and signed by His Majesty. An endorsed copy is being despatched to Washington where it will be exchanged for the United States ratification.

BREKDOWN STILL IMMINENT.

LONDON, August 10.

It is stated in British official quarters that nothing hitherto has developed really relieving the position at the so-called conference though everybody is trying to prevent a breakdown. It is felt that unless there is some radical change to-morrow's proceedings are hardly likely to be prolonged.

AUSTRIAN SKIPS BRITISH STRAITS.

STEPS BEING TAKEN.

LONDON, August 10.

The steamship "George" flying the British flag was seized at Batavia, apparently on the initiative of the Russian consul. Steps are being taken to secure the freedom of the crew and to release the vessel.

H.M.S. "RALEIGH."

CREW MISSING.

HALLOWAX, August 10.

One official account states that six members of the crew of the "Raleigh" perished when the engine-rooms were flooded. Other messages indicate that eleven are missing.

DAVIS CUP SEMI-FINAL.

PATTERSON BEATS GOBERT.

NEW YORK, August 11.

Patterson (Australia) defeated Gobert (France) in the Davis Cup semi final 4-6, 3-5, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3. Gobert was forced to let the deciding point pass him because he had wrenched his thumb earlier in the match.

THE PRINTING TRADE.

TYPESETTERS GOING BACK TO WORK.

LONDON, August 10.

Members of the typographical association in over fifty towns have resumed on the terms of the Industrial Court's award.

NEW ITALIAN GOVERNMENT.

ROME, August 10.

The Chamber carried a vote of confidence in the new Government by 247 votes to 121.

RHINE SHIPPING STRIKE.

SUCCESS FOR THE STRIKERS.

AMSTERDAM, August 10.

After fasting twenty days, the Rhine Shipping strike has ended, the employers agreeing not to reduce wages.

CREW OF THE "QUITO."

LONDON, August 11.

The crew of the British steamer "Quito," which was disabled 150 miles off the River Tyne have been picked up and landed at Berberham.

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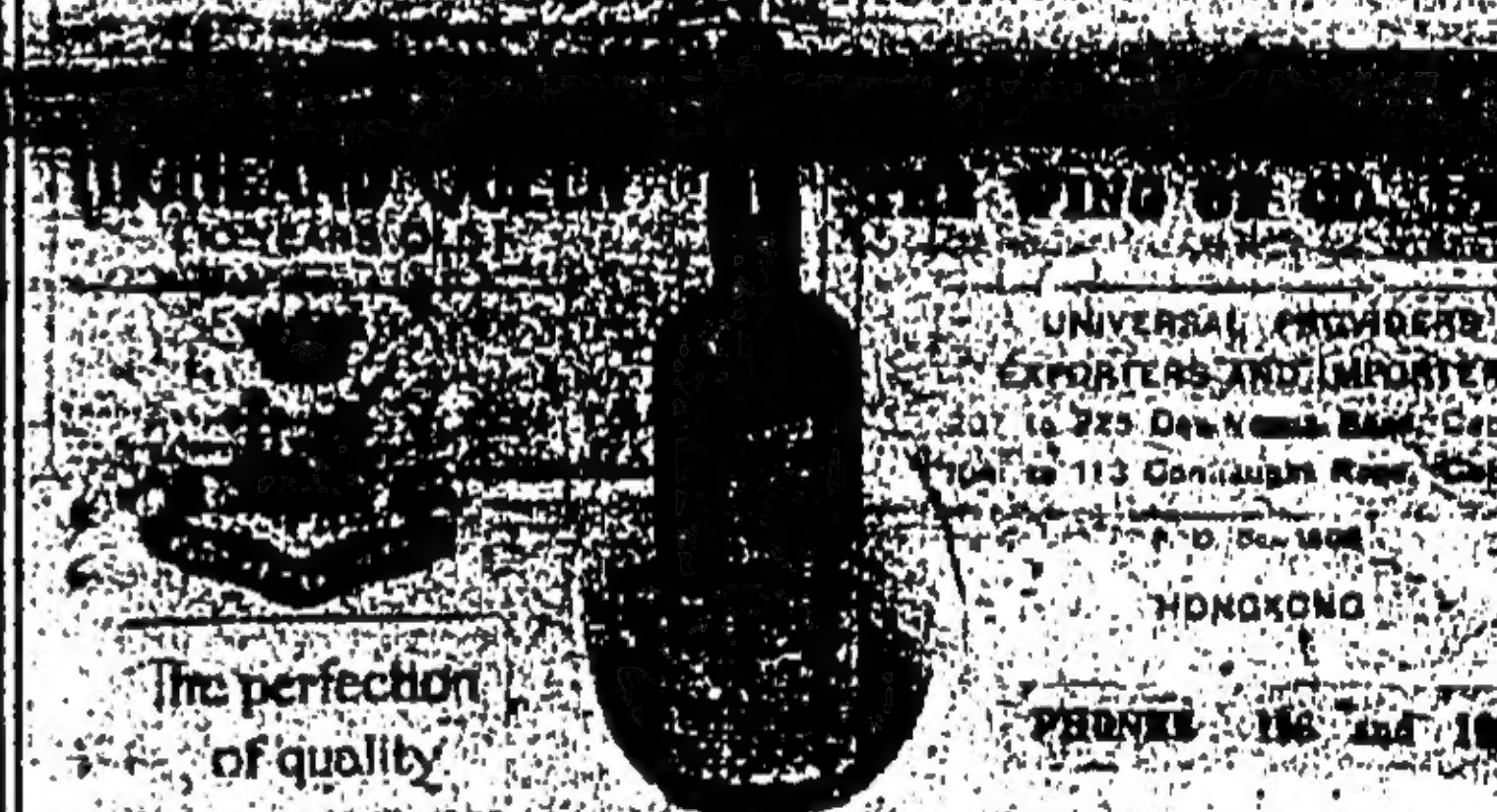
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TRAINING TEACHERS.

Never in our modest moments did we conceive the possibility that we should one day, as we do now, find ourselves agreeing with our Director of Education about an educational matter. It just shows that the age of miracles is never really past. In the interesting argument at the half yearly meeting of the Education Board, reported yesterday, we took a very lively interest. What faults the Registrar of our University may have, disloyalty to the University is not one of them. He is evidently making that institution his life's work, his passion. This is of itself desirable and praiseworthy. But this little debate shows him confusing means and ends, shows him putting the prosperity of one department of the University before the general good of local education. With the eloquence of a Bottomley, the fierce enthusiasm of a Loyola, and the humour of a facetious Grand Inquisitor, we see him trying to convince the Director of Education that he ought to give the University a monopoly in the training of teachers. "In a few years," he thought, the University would be turning out as many trained teachers as the Government could employ. At present, outside the University, they were training teachers who could afford to work for less pay than the University product would require. The University had gone to a great deal of trouble and expense, and "this work should be left to it entirely." The Director of Education suggested (what is well known to be true) that it would be some years before the University could turn out enough teachers to meet the demand. He ineffectually used figures, put it at ten to fifteen years, and Mr. Mackintosh made a great point of "pinning him down" to a definite term. He gave some figures himself to which he might be "pinned down" with advantage to a clear understanding of

the position. "In January 1923," he said, "there would be at least 100 and possibly 150, education undergraduates. In four years the University would be turning out from 50 to 100 undergraduates every year." Yes, but will they all stick to teaching? It is believed that many of them, after serving the compulsory period on which the Government can insist, will desert to better paid jobs. If we may not assert this as a certainty, still less may the Registrar assert that they will not. When he announced that the headmasters here have a too easy time he should have mentioned that he did not include the headmasters who are teaching "method" or practical teaching to these undergraduates that the University is going to produce. The University at present is worse off than the Technical Institute in this essential department of training, because not only has it no classes to practice on, but it has no expert teacher of method, such as many of our schoolmasters are or could be. We infer that the Director of Education was being ironic when, after mentioning the extremely good Chinese teachers we have who were trained outside the University, he added: "No doubt if they had been trained at the University they would have been more capable still." It would still remain to be tested. It would not be fair to judge the University on the quality of its limited production so far (as it hasn't had enough experience yet) but it is of interest to quote an expert who has personal knowledge of both lots. He said: "If I were opening a private academy, and desired a bit of swank in my advertisements, I would employ the undergraduates; but for practical teaching so far as comparison is permissible, I much prefer the others." Our need for teachers is great. We shall be glad when the University reaches the point of turning out a sufficient number of good ones. While we are "pinned down" to the merely rosy dreams of what the University hopes to do in the sweet by-and-by, we should not cut off any other sources of supply. No matter where they are trained, be it University or Technical Institute, the teachers should still go to the elementary schools, under expert observation, just as medical students have to attend at hospitals. If the Technical Institute had to be made to "disappear" solely on the ground that it lacks the material on which to practice "method," the University would have to disappear also, for the like reason.

SINO-JAPANESE NEGOTIATIONS.

DETAILS OF S. J. TUNG SETTLEMENT.

SHANGHAI, August 10.

Peking reports the thirteenth meeting of the first section of the Sino-Japanese commission this morning. The Japanese submitted reports and a proposal concerning posts, telegraphs, and telephone enterprises. The Chinese made their general attitude thereon understood, leaving a detailed reply to the next meeting. The Japanese tabled a resume of all questions concerning public properties, and with the exception of the question of security for treasury notes, which will be the subject of a separate discussion by the commission, it was decided to refer to a sub-committee the matter of public properties, for study and investigation. In reply to the Japanese proposal at the previous meeting, the Chinese agreed to leave questions concerning light-houses, harbour administration, building, etc., for disposal by the sub-committee on public properties. With reference to the Japanese reply concerning the Sze Yang electric plant the Chinese continued to insist on the cancellation of its permit. In reply to a Japanese statement concerning the question of continuation by Japanese of existing agricultural pursuits, the Chinese refused to recognize theirs as vested rights.

SWATOW DISASTER.

LOCAL SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

The Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce subscription list for the relief of the victims of the Swatow disaster now stands at \$51,435.

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The collection in all Catholic churches on Sunday next, the 13th inst., will be devoted to the Swatow sufferers. All are invited to give generously.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. Parker Ness has returned to the Colony.

A clean bill of health was returned for the Colony yesterday.

Among the passengers who arrived by the "Andre Lebon" from Shanghai yesterday was Mr. W. King, Manager-Director of Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd.

Among the passengers who left by the Admiral Line s.s. "President Grant" yesterday, were Capt. D. J. Maynahan, Capt. T. R. Parker, Colonel and Mrs. E. S. Wheeler.

A marriage has been arranged between Miss Elsie Gittins, of 92, Ebury Street, Eaton Square, London, sister of Mr. Marshall Wood, and Mr. Granville Murray, of Nairn, Scotland, Chief Assistant Engineer to the Hongkong Electric Company.

Captain Tom Gunn, an aviator noted in the title of "King of the Air" and Mr. Yung Hain, has reports the Canton Times, arrived at Hongkong recently from Shanghai. It is said that his sudden appearance in the South may mean that he is connected with the present affairs in Kwangsi.

REGISTRATION OF PERSONS.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT TO "CHINA MAIL."

The following is official:—

The Government argues that the bill is in effect a re-enactment of the Registration of Persons Ordinance, 1916; with the further requirement that persons liable to registration are to give particulars regarding any special qualifications which they may possess.

The Ordinance of 1916 was a war measure, but the information rendered available by it is most useful to the Government for purposes of its ordinary administration. The Government is thereby furnished with data regarding the various races and nationalities, other than Chinese, resident in the Colony, and it is able to keep a more effective watch upon the movements of undesirable and beachcombers who are constantly passing through the ports of the Far East.

The only real difference between the present bill and the Ordinance of 1916 is that persons liable to registration are now to be required to give particulars regarding any special qualifications of which they may be possessed. At the crisis of the recent strikes a very large number of volunteers came forward, and much valuable time was lost in sorting them out for the work for which they were best fitted. There was overlapping and lack of co-ordination. The Government considers it advisable to prepare beforehand, as far as it may be possible, against the eventualities of another sudden emergency, and therefore it seeks the information necessary to enable it to organize in the shortest possible time the services of all citizens who volunteer their assistance; being of the opinion that in any crisis the immediate mobilization of available resources is a matter of the first importance.

There is not, and there never has been, any question of strike breaking or of compulsory labour in connection with this bill, nor is the measure intended in any way as a preliminary to military conscription. The reasons against compulsion are perhaps obvious; but in any event the Government is satisfied that a call for volunteers will receive in a future emergency the response which was received in the Peasants' Strike; and it wishes merely to be in a position to use those volunteers to the best and quickest advantage.

As for the penalty provided under the Ordinance of 1916 the Colonial Secretary said this sum was inserted to bring the new Ordinance in line with existing legislation. It would be quite open to the Legislative Council to reduce this to any figure they thought proper. A penalty for non-compliance however, must stand in the Bill in order to obviate evasion. The Chinese Mail representative advanced the view that all the necessary information could have been obtained by the Government by a simple request without any legislation.

The Colonial Secretary however did not agree and held that human nature being what it is, many people would not take the trouble to give this information, and it was necessary that it should be complete.

SPORT.

WATER POLO.

LEAGUE MATCHES.

In the V.R.O. bath yesterday evening, two more matches in connection with the Hongkong water polo league were played off.

The V.R.O. had for their opponents the United whom they defeated decisively by 7 goals to nil. Butcher scored 5 and Jack 2. The United could not get going against the strong defence put up by the V.R.O.

Earlier in the evening the R.G.A. defeated the King's to the tune of 6 goals to nil. Davies was responsible for 3 and McDade 2. The other goal was scored by Hill, who put the ball in his own circle in the course of an exciting melee. The Gunners kept the ball in the Infanterymen's end of the bath most of the time, and did not give them a chance to get dangerous.

The following are next Tuesday's fixtures:—

King's v. U.A.C.

R.G.A. v. I.R.O.

He defied God—

and there was

THE DEVIL TO PAY

WATER PROBLEM.

ANOTHER CHINESE MEETING.

At a committee meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce held yesterday afternoon, the suggested introduction of water meters in the rider main districts was discussed.

The Chairman, Mr. Li Po-kwai, said that the Chamber had received many letters and enquiries concerning the Government's scheme and some of the letters pointed out the impracticability of the Government's alternatives viz., (1) The installation of water meters; or (2) The installation of meters under new conditions, involving the abolition of the free water allowance, but the rate to be decreased from 75 cents to 25 cents per 1000 gallons; and (3) The alternative of the above two proposals is to get water from street fountains.

Mr. Ho Wing urged the Chamber not to take it upon themselves to settle this very big matter with the Government in view of the relatively small effect of the members, most of whom had meters, and the importance of the matter to the poorer classes.

Mr. Ho Yu urged that permission be again applied for to call a Kaifong meeting. He felt sure that it must be granted this time as he could not see how continuous public pressure on the authorities could fail.

Speaking as a private individual, the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou son said he had drawn up three points for the Government's consideration: (1) That meters be installed at Government expense; (2) That no meter rent be charged; and (3) That a free allowance of water be given, and any excess be charged for at the rate of 25 cents per 1000 gallons. The Government had promised to consider the points and therefore he suggested that discussion be deferred.

Mr. M. K. Loo complained of the easiness for the foreign community to call a mass meeting at the City Hall as compared with the difficulty experienced by the Chinese when there is a big problem to discuss. He said he was anxious to know the reason for not permitting a Kaifong meeting.

It was resolved to again apply to the S.C.A. for permission.

A deputation to wait on the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax at 10.30 this morning was appointed as follows:—Hon. Mr. Chow Shou son, Hon. Mr. Ng Hon-tsz and Messrs. Li Po-kwai, M. K. Lo, Ho Kwong, T. N. Chow and Wu Chun-wei (representing the Chamber), and representatives to be appointed by the Tung Wah Hospital.

DEPUTATION TO S.C.A.

AND THE OFFICIAL EXPLANATION.

A deputation of representatives from the Tung Wah Hospital and Chinese Chamber of Commerce, introduced by the two Chinese M.L.Cs., the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou son and the Hon. Mr. Ng Hon-tsz, waited on the S.C.A. this morning, to ask for an explanation of the proposed alterations in the Water Ordinances; and of the rumoured refusal of permission to hold a mass meeting of Kai Jong in this connection.

The S.C.A. answered that when the original suggestion of a mass meeting was made he had replied that as many of the Kai Jong did not live in the Rider Main Districts, they did not seem to be concerned; and that it would be preferable if necessary to hold a referendum to each landlord in the districts, to give him an opportunity of expressing his own opinion and to prevent the raising of irrelevant questions by those not concerned.

In addition to this misunderstanding—the refusal to permit a meeting was in fact a misinterpretation of a more practical suggestion—the ideas in the community of the new conditions seemed far from clear. The S.C.A. proposed therefore to suggest to the Government that a Bill be drafted and introduced without delay, so that there could be no doubt of the new conditions; and that thereafter there should be allowed ample time for the fullest discussion before the Bill became law.

If after the publication of the Bill the Tung Wah Hospital and the Chinese Chamber of Commerce wished to call a mass meeting of Kai Jong, no objection would be raised.

In Hongkong, apparently, writes the Tropicist in the Singapore Free Press, members of the juries are chosen for their facial beauty. At least this is the inference drawn from a complaint made by counsel on two occasions in the Summary Court recently that it was difficult to see the jurors' faces owing to lights from a large window at the back of the jury box. The first complaint received no notice, but on the last occasion, the Police Judge promised that the light should be shut out by a curtain, so that the jurors may be able to show off with pride their blushing beauty.

CHINA COAST.

LATEST SHIPPING CHANGES.

Mr. S. H. Bate, second officer, "Hupel," has gone second officer, "Chungking."

Mr. J. Robinson, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Hupel."

Mr. W. J. Larier, chief officer, "Hanchow," has gone chief officer, "Chungking."

Mr. A. T. Summerfield, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Hanchow."

Mr. B. Kettlewell, chief officer, "Chungking," is on reserve.

Mr. K. Tarby, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Chungking."

Mr. T. McQuat, second officer, "Chungking," has resigned.

Mr. T. E. Rasmussen, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Kanchow."

Mr. L. Mumby, supply chief officer, "Ngankin," is on reserve.

Mr. E. G. Ingelrigsten has been appointed supply second officer, "Ngankin."

Mr. J. Grossett, second officer, "Kanchow," is on leave.

Mr. L. W. Harri on, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Kanchow."

Mr. G. S. Arthur, second engineer, "Hunan," has gone second engineer, "Hanchow."

Mr. J. R. Seed, second engineer, "Hanchow," has gone second engineer, "Hunan."

Mr. A. O. Love, chief engineer, "Hain Peking," has gone chief engineer, "Chungking."

Mr. A. Moore, second engineer, "Chungking," has gone second engineer, "Chungking."

Mr. K. Logan, chief engineer, "Chungking," is on reserve.

Mr. W. E. E. Springett, third engineer, "Ningpo," has gone third engineer, "Hanchow."

Mr. W. E. Bullen, third engineer, "Fengtien," has gone third engineer, "Kanchow."

Mr. H. Liddle, third engineer, "Chungking," has gone third engineer, "Fengtien."

Mr. F. S. McFar, third engineer, "Kanchow," has gone third engineer, "Paofing."

Mr. A. Pirrie from leave has gone second officer, "Tingyang."

Mr. E. Gostling, second officer, "Tingyang," is on reserve.

Captain W. N. Chandler, from leave, has gone master, "Tingyang."

Captain C. Campbell of the "Tingyang" is on reserve.

Mr. C. E. Compton, third engineer, "Washing," has gone third engineer, "Tungshing."

Mr. W. F. Paxton, third engineer, "Tungshing," has gone third engineer, "Suiwo."

Mr. W. Tweddie, third engineer, "Suiwo," has gone acting second engineer, "Bang."

Mr. J. E. MacDonald, second engineer, "Kang," is on leave.

Mr. A. L. Miller, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Fausang."

Mr. H. Craig, acting chief engineer, "Fausang," has gone second engineer, same ship.

Mr. J. W. Fisher, acting second engineer, "Fausang," has gone third engineer, same ship.

Mr. A. B. Robertson, third engineer, "Fausang," has gone supply third engineer, same ship.

Mr. B. Gunther, second officer, "Hainning," is on reserve. Mr. A. Vinogradoff, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Hainning."

"TWO WEEKS."

CONSTANCE TALMADGE AT THE CORONET.

From its title it might be thought that "Two Weeks," to-day's new attraction at the Coronet, is a picturized version of a novel by Victoria Cross. As a matter of fact it is nothing of the sort. It contains no purple patches; it is just a bright and sparkling comedy with charming Constance Talmadge in the chief role.

The notion of the vivacious Constance as a pretty chorine-girl suddenly unloosed on a household composed of three reputedly incorrigible bachelors tickles the imagination. Naturally with her about the place they do not remain incorrigible for long. She has them deliciously at her mercy until finally one of the trio gets worked up to the pitch of a confession of love and she accepts him on the spot.

A TYPHOON ABOUT.

The U. S. A. Consulate is advised from the Manila Observatory this morning that there is a cyclone or typhoon over or near Malacca, moving N. N. E.

KEEP IT HANDY.

Immediate relief is necessary in attacks of diarrhoea. Chamberlain's Colic, Diarrhoea Remedy should always be on hand. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

POLICE NEWS.

While descending the hill above Bowen Road yesterday afternoon, a workman stumbled and fell into a waterway leading to the filter beds. He was severely injured by his tumble down the hill and was unconscious when he fell in the water. He was carried through the waterway some distance before he was rescued and taken to the hospital in a critical condition. He died at 2 p.m.

The manager of the Yuen On firm of No. 38, Tungan Street reports that he gave a *foi* named Li Fung-kai a delivery order on the 3rd inst., for 26 tons of coal for the s.s. "Cadypnek." Li sold the coal which was worth \$208 for \$221 and absconded to Canton with the money, without paying for the coal received by him.

The master of the Chung Hing Bank, of No. 94, Winglok Street was closing the accounts for the day at 6 p.m. yesterday, when he discovered that a sum of \$8,500 which was paid into the bank earlier in the day was not accounted for in the books. He suspects the accountant, Chung Pui-yue, who had left the bank at 11 a.m., and did not return.

Choi Dick-kwan, a clerk living on the 4th floor of No. 10, D'Agulier Street reports that his flat was entered last night and a gold watch and chain worth \$150 stolen from his desk.

A young unknown Filipino who was found wandering on the Star Ferry wharf at Kowloon, apparently insane, was removed to the hospital yesterday afternoon.

The coxswain of the steam launch "Cheungchuan" reports that while the vessel was on its way to Hongkong, when near Pingchow Island, at about 9.15 yesterday morning, the 17 year old cook boy employed on board accidentally fell overboard and was drowned. The launch stopped and circled the spot where he fell in, but no trace of the lad could be found.

Knocked down by a motor car belonging to the Palace Motor Garage at Saiwanfo yesterday afternoon, a 12 year old Chinese girl was removed to the hospital suffering from injuries to her chest. The driver stopped the car and conveyed the girl to hospital after having first reported the accident to the police.

Armed robbers entered the first floor of No. 25, Peiho Street at 7.45 last night and made a haul of valuables and money worth \$151. According to a woman who with her 8-year old son were the only occupants of the flat at the time, she was coming out of the kitchen when she was accosted by three men standing at the stairs door which she had left open. One of the men had a revolver and the others daggers. They drove the woman and her son into a cul-de-sac where they were gagged and bound. The robbers then broke open several boxes, but did not find anything of value. They then turned their attention to the woman and took from her a gold watch and neck chain, a pair of gold mounted rattan bangles, and a leather purse containing \$150 in cash. From the son's cubicle the robbers helped themselves to another \$50 in cash and three pieces of clothing.

OUT OF A JOB.

John Wilson, an unemployed American seaman was charged before Mr. E. E. Lindsell this morning, with being a vagrant, having no visible means of support.

Wilson: "That is so."

Magistrate: How did you get here?—I came on the "President Wilson."

Were you employed on her?—No, I stowed away. There is no work in Manila at present, so I decided to try this place. I went to Canton to look for work, but there was none there. I came back here, and there doesn't seem to be any work about here either. I want to go back to the States if I can.

The Magistrate committed Wilson to the House of Detention, telling him that in the meantime the authorities would see what arrangements could be done to ship him away.

LONDON'S NEW ICHO.

Has the new county hall just erected south of Westminster Bridge brought a new echo to London? I ask a correspondent to a home paper. Standing on the north side of Westminster Bridge at midnight a few days ago to listen to the booming of Big Ben, he noticed after each stroke of the great bell a loud reverberating clap coming from the opposite side of the river. This echo is very probably caused by the new county hall. In the side of the building facing the river a large semi-circular recess, and thus acting as a round reflector, may have brought to London a mighty echo to the booming of this great bell.

SAN TH' NKS CONSUL.

FOR "MOORHEN'S" HELP.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen has sent a radio message from the "Empress of Russia" to our Consul at Canton, thanking him for British official assistance in getting away from Canton.

SPECIAL KOWLOON DANCE.

Thanks to the enterprise of the Kowloon Theatre management the people of the peninsula do not, these days, miss much that is going. Tonight, for instance, the University of California jazz orchestra which has been touring the Far East and has for the last couple of nights been delighting the dancers out at Repulse Bay is to cross the harbour and play at a special dance in the Kowloon Theatre.

The talented team includes a banjo, a pianist, two saxophonists, a slide trombonist and a drummer. The banjoist (Mr. Mark Matlock) brings with him the reputation of being one of the finest players on the Pacific Coast and during the evening he will contribute a banjo solo. Saxophone solo are also promised.

WIFE'S PLEA FOR FREEDOM.

CO-RESPONDENT OFFERS TO SHARE COST.

After a very short married life, so Arthur Reginald Kitley, of High-street, Swansea, Dorset, told the Divorce Judge, he and his wife, Kitty, separated early in 1918, he being in the Army and having been twice wounded. Then when in Ireland his wife wrote him:

Some time ago you offered my freedom. The other man in my life was quite unaware that I was a married woman at the time, but having discovered the fact is willing to do all he can to save my honour.

You and I can never live together again, so that gives us a chance to make a fresh start. Let me know that you are going to do.—Yours truly, Kitty Kitley.

At the same time, explained the husband, he also received a letter from a man named Johns (named as co-respondent in the proceedings) saying:—

Dear Kitley.—The purpose of this letter is to ask your decision in regard to all this trouble. The whole thing is to be deplored, but I was not aware she (Mrs. Kitley) was married for some time. I thought she was an ordinary single girl drifting away from her relations. No doubt you will think it strange that I should be writing to you, her lawful husband, but you must excuse me.

The writer went on to suggest that as he understood lack of means prevented the husband from "giving Kitty her freedom," he (co-respondent) was willing to go "halves" in the cost of the divorce.

The offer was not accepted. Evidence was given of Mrs. Kitley having had a child of which her husband was not the father, and Sir Henry Duke gave the husband a divorce decree, together with costs.

COURSE IN CRIME.

OPERATED FOR TEN YEARS UNDETECTED.

New York, July 2.—Joseph Thompson, a nattily dressed negro, held in \$12,500 bail by Judge Boottlinger in Newark, N. J., police court, is said by the authorities to have been caught more than fifteen years as a second story worker and confidence operator.

Thompson was trapped in the home of Stuart A. Young, son-in-law of former Attorney-General Robert H. McCarter. Neighbours surrounded the Young home, preventing Thompson's escape.

Thompson told Judge Boottlinger he was graduated from a school for criminals conducted up to five years ago in a Brooklyn poolroom. He said he was graduated from a Brooklyn high school before beginning his other studies.

There were regular courses in the criminal college, the prisoner said. Classes were conducted by some of the best known house breakers and confidence operators in the United States. He paid \$125 for the course in house breaking.

According to Thompson, a "professor" teaching his class emphasized the importance of playing a lone hand. It was this early instruction which permitted him to loot hundreds of houses in ten years without being captured. He had no partners, he said, and confided in no one.

Acting under the instruction of his teachers, Thompson devoted half his time to establishing a reputation for honesty. There were hundreds of persons in New York city, he said, who would go on the witness stand and swear he was honest and industrious.

Until captured in connection with the Young burglary he never had been arrested.

"REPORTING" IN 3,400 B.C.

RELICS OF ANCIENT EGYPT

A tombstone to one of the world's earliest reporters is to be seen at University College, Gower-street, W.C. It forms part of the exhibition of Egyptian antiquities which Professor Flinders Petrie and others excavated last winter.

The "reporter" lived about 3,400 B.C., and although there is now some business as to his duties, it is presumed he made reports of current matters to the reigning king.

Some idea of how the Egyptian woman of about the same period used to beautify herself may be gathered from a group of toilet articles in the exhibition. There is a little ivory dish used for holding green paint which was applied to the eyes by ivory sticks. Kohl was kept in alabaster pots, and the woman looked at herself in a glazed mirror.

In a Coptic hermitage at Abydos the excavators found a very efficient fire "range" with two jars full of prepared charcoal.

Round the walls of the hermitage which was full of sand when the excavators found it were 32 pages on which the hermit hung his clothes.

INSIDE HER STOCKING.

REVUE ARTIST AND HER "FACE POWDER."

On charges of being incapable drunk and having cocaine unlawfully in her possession a golden-haired woman, giving the name of Lily Blake, and describing herself as a revue artist, was at the Guildhall remanded.

Constable Little said he saw her staggering along Barbican, and then fall heavily to the ground. He secured an ambulance, and she was taken to the hospital. On the way she recovered consciousness, and said she had been taking cocaine.

On arriving at the hospital a packet of white powder was taken from her stocking.

Accused (dramatically): What a dreadful thing! How shocking! Cocaine! Good gracious, I've no money for cocaine!

Alderman Sir Louis Newton said there must be a demand for the powder to be analysed.

Accused (laughing): It is face powder.

It was stated that she had given a false address, whereupon Lily retorted: It is likely I should give a correct one in open court!

The Alderman: If you give your correct address you can have bail.

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MORE NEW DANCES.

More new dances have been launched upon the world, this time by the Union of French Professors of Dancing, an organisation to which some of the best teachers belong. At their conference the other day, M. Raymond of the Opera, presided, and M. Andre de Fontaines, who is an authority on masculine garments, delivered an address. There was the inevitable discussion on modern dancing, and it was soon apparent that there were anti-shimmyists among the professors. M. Schwarz, of the Opera put forward the contention that all professors of dancing ought to possess at least a rudimentary knowledge of classic dancing. His suggestion was approved, though there was a minority which proclaimed itself hostile to it. Of the new dances presented three were selected, the "Pasoto," a sort of Spanish waltz, the "Crisarossa," a quadrille in which five classic figures are replaced by a "pot-pourri" of modern dances, a one step Shimmy-Boston, and a combination of all four and "Houl," a descriptive dance. The dance is expected to convey the illusion of waves.

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George Brown, one of the cleverest bank thieves in England, was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment at Westminster Police Court in mail week on a charge of loitering for a felonious purpose. As he has an unexpired term of 15 months of a 5 years sentence to serve, it will be 2 years before he is again at liberty.

Brown is 69 and was released from Parkhurst Prison only three months ago. He went to live in Willesden, Brixton, S.W., and gave everybody the impression that he was a wealthy City magnate. Every morning he left his house at 9.20, wearing a monocle, white spots, and well-cut clothes. He carried white gloves, and a neatly folded umbrella was hooked on his arm.

He always had visions of carrying out a big bank robbery, his special line being to walk from one bank to another and watch his opportunity to snatch up a bundle of notes or well-filled wallet that a customer placed on the counter. It was nothing unusual for him to wait inside a bank half an hour with his eyes constantly on the slot, and if for a single moment valuables had been left unattended he would have grabbed them and darted away.

For a time detectives had some difficulty in following him, but eventually they disguised themselves as millionaires by looking as if they were anxious to deposit a thousand or two, and so he did not suspect them as they followed him into bank after bank.

He was finally arrested by Detective Inspector Stevens and Sergeant Whitely while paying a second visit to the London County Westminster and Parr's Bank, Victoria street, S.W. He was standing close behind a woman customer whose arm was resting on a pile of notes on the counter, and his eyes were fixed longingly on them.

"I am waiting to receive some money from a bookmaker," was his explanation to the detective when they seized him. Later he said he was writing a book entitled "Why Crime has Decreased," and he was merely visiting the banks to get material which would show how vigilant the police were.

Detective Duncan informed the magistrate that Brown in 1918 was sent to penal servitude for five years for stealing £100 from a bank counter in London, and was released on licence in March this year. There were two other convictions in London. He had also been repeatedly punished in Paris for theft, and a few years ago was expelled from France.

"I am old, friendless, and penniless," pleaded Brown. "For the last twelve years I have had nothing but misfortune."

In sentencing him Mr. Chapman, the magistrate, remarked, "Your misfortunes are due to your habit of snatching money from bank counters. This time you were cleverly thwarted by the police officers."

RAGTIME FOR PENGUINS.

Captain John Cadwallader, of Vancouver, British Columbia, who has just reached home from South Georgia after a two years' hunt for whales, told of a remarkable gramophone concert he gave in the Southern Seas, with thousands of penguins as his audience.

"One day," he said, "I took out my gramophone into the open and commenced to play it. There wasn't a penguin in sight, but within a minute of the first record being started hundreds of birds appeared and walked in their slow, stately gait towards me."

"Very soon I had an audience of some thousands. Several King or Crested penguins sat within a few feet of me and the ordinary species formed a number of circles. They listened with almost human interest to the music, and the lit of ragtime sent them shuffling and swaying."

"When my concert was over the penguins rose, bowed gravely as if to express their thanks, and all walked off."

NEW GERMAN INVENTION.

THE FLETTNER RUDDER.

Herr Direktor Anton Flettner, before a representative gathering of German shipowners and shipbuilders, recently gave a most interesting account, with demonstrations, of his new discovery—the Flettner rudder. The controlling of this will require no steam or electric steering apparatus, but is controlled by the water-pressure produced by the rudder. To achieve this an auxiliary small rudder is attached to the outer edge of the rudder. When this auxiliary rudder is operated by means of a mechanical device, pressure is brought about on the main rudder according to the angle of the smaller one, which directs the force of the water into it as required. In brief the auxiliary rudder operates in steering the main rudder much as the main rudder acts in steering the ship. The operation of the auxiliary rudder is facilitated by the fact that it is designed as a balanced rudder, so that part of the blade stands before the axis.

The machinery required to operate the auxiliary rudder is little more than that necessary to overcome the steam pressure. The transmission of power from the hand rudder machinery to the auxiliary rudder blade is arranged by means of a shaft which, passing through the hollow main rudder shaft, is furnished beneath with a fork leading to a second shaft which moves the auxiliary rudder.

With careful and exact adjustment it is possible to steer with only 5 per cent. of the power usually required for steering mechanism hitherto.

A practical demonstration of the easy control of this steering device was given an experimental tank. In conclusion Herr Direktor Ziegelsch, of the Deutsche Werft, A. G., announced that they will be constructing an 8,000-ton vessel for the U. S. A. L., which will be a motor ship carrying no steering machinery, but a Flettner rudder.

SOME SEA FACTS.

Ordinary light rays will not penetrate water to a depth greater than 252 feet. In other words, however clear the water, there is pitch darkness at 42 fathoms below the surface. But the rays which affect a photographic plate, the so-called actinic rays, penetrate much deeper. Experiment has shown that in clear water light will affect a photographic plate at a depth of 1,500 feet, or 250 fathoms. Since water is a bad conductor of heat (says *Everyday Science*) the temperature of the sea is very much more equable than that of the land or in the air. In Polar regions the sea is always warmer than the land or air, in the tropics it is always cooler. On the equator the temperature of the sea ranges normally from 82 degrees to 83 degrees Fahr.; 87 degrees Fahr. is the maximum temperature that has been registered. Land surfaces in the tropics are raised sometimes to 130 degrees F. The amount of salt and other solids present in the sea varies considerably. In the Atlantic there are, on an average, 8.6 parts of dissolved matter in every 100 parts of water. In the Baltic the proportion of dissolved matter is very small, being only 0.5; in the Dead Sea, on the other hand, every 100 parts of water contains as many as 22 solids. Hence the Dead Sea's remarkable buoyancy. More than thirty chemical elements have been found dissolved in the ocean, including gold. Gold, however, exists only in very small quantities; for every pound of water extracted probably £20 has been spent on the attempt, as many "get-rich-quick" people have discovered. Clothes which have been immersed in the sea take a long time to dry, owing to the presence of magnesium salts, which obstinately hold water and continue to absorb it from the air even while the clothes are drying. It is this quality of magnesium salts which causes table salt to become damp when the air is very moist. The hardness of sea water is due to the presence of sulphates of calcium and magnesium.

"THE REV. MRS."

MARRIAGE SERVICE BY A WOMAN.

OMISSION OF "OBEY."

What is said to be the first wedding ceremony to be performed by a woman in England has taken place at Greville-place Congregational Chapel, Greville-place, Maiden Vale, W.

The officiating minister was the Rev. Constance Mary Colman, and the bride and bridegroom were Miss Ethel Minnie Parker and Mr. Arthur H. H. Draper, of St. John's Wood, N.W.

A special order of service was employed and various changes were made to give expression to modern ideals of Christian marriage. For example, the word "obey" was omitted by the bride, and the bride and bridegroom gave each other a ring, each repeating the words:

As this ring now encircles thy finger, so let my love surround thee all the days of thy life.

The Rev. Constance Mary Colman is joint pastor with her husband, the Rev. Claud Colman, of Greville-place Congregational Church. Mr. and Mrs. Colman were fellow-students together at Mansfield College, Oxford. They were married the day after the girl minister was ordained, and became assistant ministers together in the East End, where they carried on together the Darby-street Mission for the King's Weigh House Church. Mrs. Colman was in great demand for the christening of babies.

Mrs. Colman had taken her Bachelor of Divinity degree at London University before she entered Mansfield College, and had also gained an M.A. degree.

"Before marrying the couple I wrote to the Congregational Union," said Mrs. Colman to a *Daily Mail* reporter. "The reply was that as there are women registrars I was entitled to perform the ceremony. It was an all-woman service—a woman minister, a woman organist, and a choir of women."

"Surely the Sex Disqualification Act gives me the right to marry people; as I am an ordained minister. In any case, the civil registrar was present."

An eminent authority on these matters told a *Daily Mail* reporter that he believed the marriage to be in order. "The essential part," he said, "is the issue of a certificate by a superintendent registrar and the giving of notice. In some cases the registrar attends to record the marriage, and although I am speaking from memory—there are cases where an authorised person can take the place of a registrar on the occasion. As far as I remember, the identity of the person who officiated is almost immaterial, provided the necessary civil proceedings are adhered to."

Discussing the alteration of the marriage service, he said that the omission of words of the service which were of an ecclesiastical nature would not affect the validity of the marriage, provided that certain essential words—such as the truth, for instance—were repeated by the pair.

MYSTERY WOMAN IN POLICE COURT.

PAYING PRISONERS' FINES.

During the afternoon's proceedings at Marylebone Police Court yesterday (says a home paper in mail week) a young woman entered the building wearing the daintiest of summer dresses and a large pink hat. For some time she listened intently to the sordid cases, then she took a poor child upon her lap and fondled it. A little later a costs monger was charged with obstruction and was fined 30s. The young woman promptly followed him out of the court and set him free by paying the fine.

Returning, she heard the case of a ship's steward who had been arrested on his arrival in port for the recovery of £20 due to his wife under a maintenance order. The man was ordered to pay the amount or go to prison. Remarking to an officer of the court that she would be back upon the young woman hurried out, hired a taxicab, and returning in a few minutes paid a police officer the £20.

When the overjoyed man expressed his gratitude his benefactress told him that if ever he was in trouble again he was to be sure to go and see her.

Returning to the taxicab, she directed the driver to an address in the West End.

He defied God—and there was THE DEVIL TO PAY.

GENERAL ITEMS.

BRITISH TYPEWRITER FAILURE.

The sale is announced of the premises of the Conqueror Typewriter Company, of which Viscount Lascelles is principal shareholder. The company, whose premises were considered the last word for the purpose of mass production, was started in 1919 with a nominal capital of £500,000 to produce an all-British typewriter able to compete with the best American machines, but owing to the industrial slump and other causes not a single machine has been produced.

"RED FLAG" AT GRAVESIDE.

Forming a procession more than half a mile in length 5,000 unemployed, Communist and trade union representatives attended the funeral of John William Baker, 38, who died from lockjaw following injuries alleged to have been received in a riot at Shildfield recently.

The majority wore red rosettes or paper poppies with black centres, and the Communist section displayed the Soviet star.

Sympathisers present included 2 city councillors and others who have been committed for trial at Leeds Assizes on a riot charge.

The bare-headed crowd sang the "Red Flag" at the grave side before dispersing.

WHERE DIVORCE IS EASY.

According to a White Paper, just issued by the Government, native marriages in the former German colony of Togoland, West Africa, may be readily dissolved by the courts. There are no specific grounds for divorce, the mere disinclination of one of the parties to continue the union being sufficient to warrant a dissolution.

Unfaithfulness on the part of a wife is not considered particularly damaging to her character, unless repeated a number of times, and is atoned for by the payment of damages by the co-respondent; the woman's word as to his identity and the truth of the accusation being accepted as proof of the offence.

There is a fixed scale of damages for the different classes—viz., £5 in the case of a head chief, 50s. for a sub-chief, 30s. for the more educated and influential classes, and 4s. 6d. for the proletariat. This applies whether the individual or the class mentioned is the offender or offended against.

SHIPBUILDING IN JAPAN.

In view of some misstatements regarding the revised shipbuilding programme of Japan the Consul-General for Japan at Simla states that the new programme consists of the building of four 10,000-ton cruisers, twenty-four 1,400-ton destroyers, and twenty-two 1,370-ton submarines. The above programme is to be completed in six years. The Consul-General states that Japan is faithful to the spirit of the Washington Conference. While the number of ships is increased in view of the necessary demands of the present age, the new programme falls below the old plan, and anyone conversant with Japan's old naval programme would know that the new plan reduces one cruiser, thirteen destroyers, and twenty-four submarines viz., 13,385 tons in all, and men and officers numbering about 12,000.

AN ANCIENT "SEAPLANE."

Many curious and beautiful things unearthed by Professor Flinders Petrie and the members of the British School of Archaeology in Egypt during the past few months were included in an exhibition at University College, Gower-street, W.C.

The story of the past is being pieced together, not only from papyrus, tomb inscriptions, and mummy cases, but also from countless small objects of common use. The desert sand has yielded a rich harvest of tools and weapons, of domestic utensils, toilet accessories, games, and delicate jewellery.

In the tombs of the first dynasty at Abydos ivory of the first workmanship were found, including an ivory comb on which is carved a winged ship, like a fantastic forecast of the seaplane.

KITES AND CABLES.

From various parts of the United States come reports of serious, and even fatal accidents due to the flying of kites with fine wire in place of the usual string. It appears that youngsters, in their desire to obtain higher altitudes for their kites, substitute fine wire for heavy string. There are several recent instances of such kites and fine wires coming in contact with high-tension wires or

cables with unfortunate results. From California, for example, comes news of a tragedy, in which one man was killed, one boy crippled for life and two others so badly burned that they were confined to the hospital. This happened because one progressive youngster used a metal string for his kite. A boy in Flint, Mich., was killed last August in a very similar manner. It might be well to impress on youngsters the danger of using fine wire of any kind in kite flying.

RUINED BY GOOD LUCK.

"Life ruined by good luck" describes the case of Captain D. Penn, who, it is stated, is now tramping the streets of London looking for work, sleeping on the Embankment, and who if he had not drawn the lucky number in a Calcutta Darby Sweepstake, might have had a successful career in the army. Penn in 1898 was a trooper in the 21st Lancers. He rode in the famous charge at Omdurman and was awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal. Later, he went to India, was transferred to the 12th Lancers and was promoted sergeant. He and a comrade in 1909 bought a Calcutta Sweep ticket and drew King Edward's horse, Minoru. Penn's share of the prize was about £30,000 sterling. Penn bought his discharge and came to England. He purchased a residence at Westcott, near Dorking and started a tobacco business in the West End, but by 1914 the result was a failure. Being again poor he joined the army at the outbreak of the war and was soon promoted Captain.

BUSIEST STATION IN THE WORLD.

Twenty years ago Londoners proud of the size of the city and the dimensions of its traffic, used to point to the fact that Clapham Junction was the busiest railway station in the world—on an average a train a minute passed through it. Now that record is doubled at the Underground station at Earl's Court, where 120 trains an hour pass through during the rush hours (according to *Everyday Science*) and at Charing Cross, with its three underground stations in one, there are often four and on an average three trains a minute. Twenty years ago, again, there were no motor omnibuses, and the horse omnibuses were but a fraction of their number. During the busiest hours to-day 640 omnibuses pass Charing Cross in the hour 666 pass the Bank, 542 pass Oxford Circus, and 518 pass Piccadilly Circus. Omnibuses and underground trains carry 4,000,000 passengers a day. The population has increased less than 20 per cent, since the beginning of the century, but for every journey in bus, tram, train, or cab we made then, we make between 30 and 40 to-day.

"GENERAL POST" PICNICS.

New interest will be added to motor-coach trips by a scheme to be inaugurated shortly by the Samuelson Transport Company, Ltd., 28 Denmark-street, W.C. The "o" ting will be called a "General Post Social," and the participants will have no idea as to their destination.

At an arranged time a coach with not more than 12 women passengers will proceed to a country spot on the outskirts of London. Fifteen minutes later another coach with 12 men passengers will follow. The passengers will then take fresh seats in the coaches, each man sitting by the side of the woman who holds a ticket bearing a corresponding number.

The coaches will then proceed to the secret destination, where a picnic will be held, and a theatre or dance will terminate the outing after the return to town. There will be a woman chaperon.

"TANK" MOTOR CAR.

To watch a motor-car climb a steep bank at an angle of more than 45 degrees and rush light-heartedly over heavy ploughed ground was the experience of a number of people at Slough, Buckinghamshire, recently.

This mechanical hare was a 10-h.p. car fitted with a special attachment, invented by M. Adolf Kregesse, formerly in charge of the Czar's garage in Russia.

The attachment consists of a rubber "track," similar to those fitted to Tanks, and operated by the rear axle. The weight of the back of the car is borne by four small wheels which run on the "track" and which are sprung. Little weight rests on the front wheels, which are of an ordinary type—and on turning the crest of steep ascents the front wheels on more than one occasion rose from the ground.

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SHAMMING MAD.

[By a Doctor in the *Daily Mail*.]

A question that is being freely asked is this: "Is it possible for a clever convict to escape the gallows by pretending to be insane?"

The answer is, "Yes."

But doctors have always to be on their guard against this, and an intimate knowledge of mental disease may be required to enable them to detect the malingerer.

Knowing, for example, that insanity seldom comes on suddenly, they will look for evidence of its existence before the crime was committed.

Failing such evidence, they will investigate carefully the mode of onset of the "illness" to see if it corresponds to the usual incidence of mental disease.

The family history has also to be studied in case some mental instability may prove to have been inherited; and a careful scrutiny of the symptoms presented by the patient generally enables the examiners, who must see the case independently of one another, to arrive at a true diagnosis.

The difficulties that confront the impostor are enormous. To be consistent with his assumed "madness" he may have to go for days without food or sleep. The latter is well-nigh impossible for anyone but the unhappy lunatic.

The popular idea of madness is continual frenzied excitement with incoherent conversation and erratic behaviour. The strain of keeping up a deception of this kind is so great that fraud is soon detected.

Many are the pitfalls into which the sham "lunatic" may be enticed. Anyone familiar with an asylum knows that a visit from a stranger puts a patient on his guard, with the result that he appears to be far more sane than he actually is.

Not so with the malingerer. It is in the presence of visitors that he displays his wildest bursts of excitement and incoherence—symptoms which exhaustion compels him to abandon whenever he is alone.

It is an almost invariable rule that a real lunatic will declare emphatically that he is perfectly sane. He will account for his ridiculous fancies in the most ingenious way, but—admit that he is mad? Not he!

The pretended lunatic, on the other hand, never asserts his sanity.

The clumsy actor may often be "caught napping" in this way. Ask him to name some common article such as a penny, a pocket-knife, or a pencil. From fear of showing sanity he will, as likely as not, name the objects wrongly.

A truly insane person, if he did not feel insulted, would smile in a superior way at having to humour you in your madness. But he would probably answer quite correctly.

The lunatic is generally reticent about his delusions, but when an impostor adopts them, as a rule he keeps harping on them continually.

Many other points of difference indicate that to feign insanity successfully requires skill, patience, and knowledge far above the average.

"I KISS EVERYBODY."

A BOHEMIAN WIFE.

Letters written to a young man by a married woman who said that her nature was Bohemian were referred to at Middlesex Sessions, when Francis Albert Gray, 23, agent, of Pembury-road, Tottenham, N., was charged with stealing articles valued at £100, the property of Mr. W. J. Goldworthy, at 44, Fortis Green-road, Muswell Hill, N. Archibald Trendell, 22, engineering student, of Hill-drop-crescent, Holloway, N., was charged with receiving.

Mr. E. J. Purchase, for the prosecution, said that the morning after a musical party given by Mrs. Goldworthy, whose guests they were for the night Gray and Leonard Trendell—brother of Archibald Trendell—bound Mrs. Goldworthy to a chair and took the property.

Mrs. Goldworthy said that she had been married 24 years. She and her husband had lived very happily together. Mr. J. D. Cassels, for Gray (cross-examining), did you at any time tell your husband that you were upon terms of the closest friendship with Gray and Trendell? My husband was introduced to them.

Mr. Cassels: And did you at some time introduce as a part to the entertainment a woman of the name of "Billie"?—Yes.

Mr. Cassels suggested that after a high tea she and "Billie" went upstairs, returning later to the two young men in very scanty dress. Mrs. Goldworthy emphatically denied the suggestion.

Replying to counsel, Mr. Cassels, she said that she kissed the men good-night when they were in bed. "I kiss everybody," she added; "it is my nature. I am of a Bohemian nature."

She denied that it was at her suggestion that she was bound and gagged.

Mrs. Goldworthy said that Gray was called "Brown Eyes" and Trendell "Blue Eyes." She admitted writing the letters and exclaimed, "I did not think that they would be bad enough to bring them up against me."

Gray stated that his relations with Mrs. Goldworthy had been intimate. It was on her suggestion that she was bound and gagged.

The hearing was adjourned.

HONGKONG HEIGHTS.

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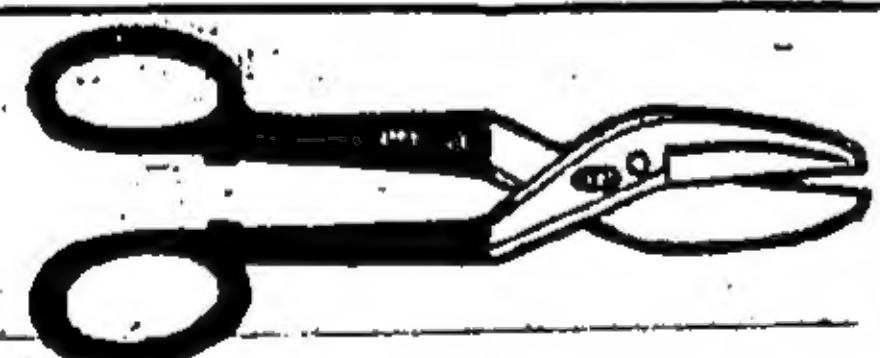
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Harriett Turner as she was and is

A theatrical star who had a great income and saved no money. She is now seeking a job as cook.



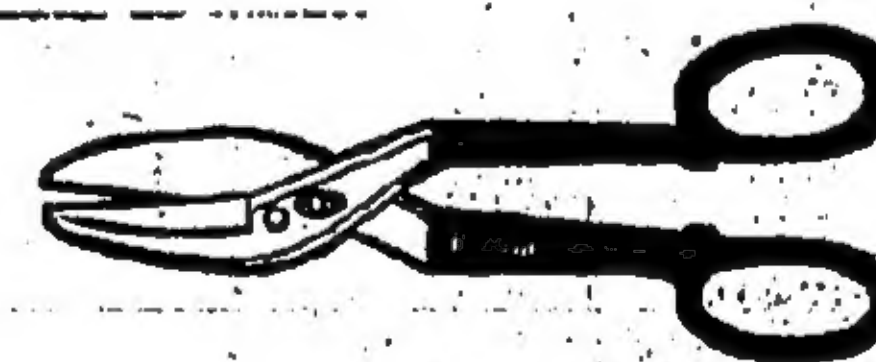
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TALKED TO
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NO, NOW WHAT
WOULD YOU DO IF
YOU WERE IN MY
SHOES?

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